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From my own CHAMBERS.

Y Friend CYNICUS, whose *Poem against Marriage* I mention'd last *Saturday*, seems to have hit on many more Heads of *Satire* than we found in ISABELLA's *Piece*: But, as I then took notice, only *unconnected Parts* of his Work are preserved. He tells me, that as all he had writ upon the Subject was on *detach'd Bits of Paper*, frequently the *Tobacco Papers* at a Tavern, he believes many of them, since his Marriage, may have gone to the Use of *lighting his Pipe*. *However*, HARRY, says he, *as I find you still continue in the Resolution of dying a Batchelor, possibly some of these Fragments may contribute a little to fortify your Mind. The Justice of my Thoughts I have nothing to say for, my* BETSEY *being quite another Sort of Woman than I had in Idea: But no doubt there are as bad as I have described.*——

I was glad of *his Present*, rather for the Sake of amusing the *Public*, than serving *myself*, who have always been an Advocate for *Marriage*. Something like MANLY in the *Plain Dealer*, will, I believe, be found in my Friend's Character; as much open *Sincerity*, with almost as little *Delicacy*.

A DIALOGUE.

A. *UNmarried still*, yet last of all thy Line!
My Friend, for God's Sake, what dost thou design?

B. To be *myself*; old Authors to peruse;
Enjoy my *Friend*, my *Bottle*, and my *Muse*.
This, this is *Life*, if true the Sages say:—
But, should some *willing Fair* come cross my Way,
I see no mighty Harm, from *Text* or *Code*,
Rather to *take her*, than to quit my Road.
It surely adds *some Solace* now and then:
As for the Reſt—God help the *honest Man!*

A. Extremely short, sententious, and profound:
But yet, methinks, your *Doctrine* is not sound.
A Man unmarried is but *half himself*;
And married, may have *Boo's* upon the Shelf:
And sure the Pleasure is not less complete,
With *Friends*, and *Wine*, and *Wit*, if *Woman* meet.
I mind not *Sages*, when they talk by Rote,
But can *reflect*, as much as you can *quote*.
By *willing Wenches* many have been bit,
As well your Men of *Wisdom*, as of *Wit*.
Come, come, this vile Contempt of *Heav'ns Decree*
Hath something in it more than I can see:
Invective then, and *Raillery* apart,
Give me thy *Hand*, and open all thy *Heart*.

B. Let them their *curs'd Inconstancy* give o'er,
And *mimic* Virtue less, and *practise* more:
Thus much of *Human* let them deign to have,
A faithful Tongue, a *Heart* that is *no Slave*;
Eyes, that undazzled can behold a *Fop*,
Or, unallur'd, survey a *Trinket-Shop*.
Worth let them value at a higher Rate
Than *Jewels*, *Gold*, *Embroidery*, or *Plate*;
Be safe when *Beaux* th'enamell'd Box expose,
Nor take in *Love*, like *Hartshorn*, by the Nose.
Let them, when *married*, (as the Law decrees)
Without *commanding*, be content to *please*.
Till thus they do, I think it better far
To save *myself*, and bid the *World* beware.
A *random Shot*, irregular and free,
Than *close Campaigning*, better suits with me.

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[*Here follow some Lines which Respect both to my* Friend *and my* Readers *obliges me to suppress. I will only insert four of the Rhimes.*]

——————————— *robustous*,
——————————— Lord AUGUSTUS.
——————————— *juicy*,
——————————— Lady LUCY.

A. Mere *common Place*, the Women, Sir, will say;
(And, Faith, I think like them too, by the Way.)
Suppose, for once, the Case revers'd were put,
And *They* should write, and *Man* should be the But:
Think what a Field for *Satire* they have got;
Rake, *Tyrant*, *Faithless*, *Impotent*, and *Sot!*
Tho' *gen'ral Sallies* may not hit the Black,
A *single Character* how can they back,
While lives *Sir* PINCHWIFE, * PISTOL, * or *Lord* JACK?*
Aim'd they at *You*, the Object would be full:
They'd call you *simple*, *spiritless*, and *dull*.

B. Well, let them call me ev'ry Thing they can,
Too rough for *Love*, too modest for a *Man*;
That *honest Bluntness*, which distastes them so,
That *bashful*, *shy*, *Unlikeness* to a Beau,
That *Scorn* of foreign Fopperies and Crimes,
Once won *their Mothers*, in much better Times.
I own the Charge: I never in my Life
Could quit *Simplicity* to win a *Wife*.
Once tho' *I lov'd* (thank Heav'n it was but once)
Ev'n then, as now, they mark'd me for a *Dunce*:
Plain was my *Dress*; I could not *dance*, nor *sing*;
Nor deal out *Bawdy* by the Name of *Thing*;
Nor *kiss* for Company, nor *fawn* in Form:
When cold my *Heart*, my *Tongue* was never warm.
When nothing started *pertinent* and *pat*,
I could not bound along from *This* to *That*,
And spend whole Ev'nings in *unmeaning Chat*.
Besides, unluckily, I *lov'd my Friends*,
And had no *Scandal* at my Fingers Ends.
All This, and more (which yet I think no *Sin*)
Has caus'd the *curs'd Dilemma* I am in:
I cannot *These*, and *These* I would not win.

By *These*, I suppose, Mr. CYNICUS means such as he was *once in Love* with before he thought of his BETSEY, and as he has at last found in her: By *These*, such as he is so very severe upon in *this Satire*.—There must be a *great Charm* between the Lines last quoted and the following, which contain an *ironical Apology*, in the Person of the Poet's Friend, for a *Vice* which I dare say the Fair Sex are oftener *accused* of than *guilty*.

B. Then they *carouse*. *A. That Weakness* we should skip;
The Men can *drink*, and Women do but *sip*.
Wine, wicked *Punch*, and beastly *Brewer's Bub*,
The *Bowl* surrounded, or condemn'd the *Tub*,
With *Smoke sopiferous* dark'ning our Resorts,
We sit, and swill out ev'ry Man *two Quarts*.
Mean while th' *industrious Housewife*, with a Jerk,
Tips off *her Quartern*, and pursues her Work.
Sooner she does it, at the Calls of Nature,
Than make a *Monster* of a *human Creature*.
What could Sir JOSEPH † so provoke and vex,
To bring *this Act* direct against the Sex?
Abridge *our Wives* their *frugal English Draught*,
While *foreign Liquors* lavishly are quaff'd?
How shall they 'scape the *Law's* rapacious Talons?
Sure ev'n a *Dutchess* does not buy *two Gallons!*
Suppose in Partnership *her Chaplain* fleek,
They could not drink it in—at least *a Week*.
And *Ladies' Cordial*, like their Human or Flesh,
To keep it pleasant, should be *fresh* and *fresh*.

I must own there is something very *gross* and *unmannerly* in this last Couplet, which I should not have preserv'd but to shew the Writer's *Malice* at that Time, and how much he must have alter'd his *Opinion* when he ventur'd to trust his Happiness upon the *Constancy of one Woman to one Man*. Our *next Fragment* seems to be only Part of a Speech, as it has no *initial Letter* before it. However, we will venture to say it was design'd for the *Poet himself*.

Her *Faults* to mention frights away her Wits,
And ten to one but Madam *falls in Fits*.
SHE *proud*, *expensive*, *careless*, *insincere!*
Base, *wicked Man*, so *jealous* and *severe!*
What can be said to *rectify* the Fault?
He did but *jest on* what he *never thought*.
A gentle *Squeeze*, a soft, submissive *Kiss*;
And well he fares, who *makes it up* with This:
For, if She pleases to be *mighty ill*,
And *new Commissions* come upon Her still,
Nor *Tears*, nor *Vows* the Injury can atone;
She *quits his Bed*, and *Her*—perhaps—*alone*.

I shall pass over the rest of his *spiteful Wit*, to make Room for *one Fragment* of a quite different Nature. It is plain he design'd it for the *End* of his Poem, notwithstanding there are so many *Hiatus* in the *Body* of it. He was too honest to conclude without *owning his Weakness*, and that his *Heart*, at this very Time, was sensible of the *Power of Beauty*. Whether CYNTHIA here mention'd were his BETSEY, or any other, I could never get him to *inform me*.

I have only the last Line of a *railing Speech* from the Poet, which introduces the Rhime.

The *Theme* would last till I exhaust my Breath.—
A. Yes, you may *rail*, and *rhime* yourself to Death.
But CYNTHIA, CYNTHIA——
B. What of *Her?*
A. No Harm—
I hope the NAME's no *Heresy*, nor *Charm*—
Were CYNTHIA *here*——
B. Alas!
A. What ails the Man?
—— To see *Her* smile at this *poetic Plan!*
In one *short Sentence* vindicate *Her Sex*,
From all now *said*, and all you can *annex!*
Herself the *Judge*, she sets aside *your Pleas*,
And finds, for *Damages—an Ounce of Tea!*
Each *Look*, each *Motion*, cuts the Matter short—
You bow, and *own* the *Justice* of the Court;
From *low Invective* rising into *Rapture*,
Nymph, *Angel*, *Goddess*, fill the sou'wing Chapter.
B. How shall we help *the Weakness of our Nature?*—
A. E'en drop your *Pen*, and pocket up your *Satire!*

The *Ladies*, I doubt not, will allow with me, that Mr. CYNICUS, in these Lines, has sufficiently *revenge'd their Cause* upon himself. I will only add therefore, that tho' he would never confess it, I was always confident that at the Time of his greatest *Ill Nature*, he was more warm'd by the unkind Usage he had receiv'd from *some one*, than by any *Antipathy* or *Disinclination* he had conceiv'd for *Marriage*, or for the FAIR SEX in general.

* *These Characters, perhaps, are merely* allegorical: *At least, I will not pretend to find in them any* particular Meaning. *I will only say, that my Friend informed me this Dialogue was writ* some Years ago.

† *Sir* Joseph J—k—ll, *Author of the Bill against Gin.*

FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

Venice, Feb. 13. We have receiv'd Letters from Constantinople advising, that Shah Nadir has declar'd and acknowledged Achmet Bashaw, Governor of Babylon, for Sovereign of that City, as well as of all Mesopotamia, Bassoro, &c. upon Condition of his being Tributary to Persia. This Event is so much the more fatal to the Porte, as she thereby loses the Communication by Land with Arabia and Egypt.

Turin, Feb. 14. A Courier that arriv'd here the 12th Instant, has brought the News of a very sharp Engagement which the Spaniards had on the 6th with the Inhabitants of the Marquisate of Maro, situated in the Principality of Oneglia, which is so populous that it contains above twenty Villages. The Inhabitants having taken up Arms, and join'd some regular Troops that were at hand, they all fell together, with so much Bravery and Impetuosity, on a Body of Spanish Troops posted in the District of Maro, that the latter were forced to retire towards Oneglia, leaving near 500 Dead in the Field of Battle. The Number of Wounded which the Enemy carried to the Hospital at Oneglia, amounts to almost as many.

Naples, Feb. 9. Our Court has for ſome Years temporiz'd with the Malecontents; but either its Patience is now worn out, or it is now grown ſo ſecure, as to be able to ſhew its Reſentments without Apprehenſions. In Conſequence of this Change of Temper, the Tribunal, which has the Cognizance of ſuch Affairs, have actually tried a certain Abbe, whoſe Name is Don Charles Maximilian Enſora d'Arragon, and ſentenc'd him to be drawn upon a Hurdle thro' the Streets of this City, and then hang'd for treaſonable Practices. One Jazzo, a Carmelite Friar, who was a little too buſy in handing about the Queen of Hungary's Manifeſto, has been condemn'd to the Gallies for Life, and a Brother of his is to bear him Company for ſeven Years: But before they went to take their Seats on board thoſe Veſſels, they were whipp'd thro' this City by the Hands of the common Hangman. Three others, for the ſame Crime, have been ſent to as many different Fortreſſes, to work on the Fortifications. The Mother of Don Camillo Capilari, formerly Counſellor of State, has been ſentenc'd to perpetual Impriſonment. Notice has been given to Meſſ. George Grimaldi, Nicholas de Mauris, and Charles Giordino, who have been a long Time in Priſon, to prepare for their Trials; and it is generally believ'd that they will be capitally convicted. We are a little ſurpriz'd at theſe Acts of Severity; and ſhall be more ſo, if the King confirms theſe Sentences. However, it muſt be own'd, that thus far this Conduct has had a good Effect; there is no more caballing amongſt the Nobility, the Laws have their free Courſe, Taxes are rais'd without murmuring, and the Court will be able to have all Things in Readineſs for the enſuing Campaign, without having Recourſe to any extraordinary Methods.

Hague, March 5. The 2d Inſtant the States General ratified the Treaty of Warſaw of the 8th of January laſt. It is the general Opinion here, that if that Treaty were to be concluded now, as Affairs ſtand, it would not take Place; and that the Court of Saxony will not be in very great Haſte to perform the Engagements it has contracted by this Quadruple Alliance, which, in the preſent Situation of Things could not but be attended with Conſequences very prejudicial to its true Intereſt, how advantageous ſoever the Conditions of that Treaty may ſeem to be in other Reſpects, as well as the ſecret Articles, which, 'tis pretended, have been agreed upon between the Contracting Powers. Theſe ſecret Articles are five in Number, of which the two Principal are, The Recovery of Sileſia for the Court of Vienna, and a Ceſſion, in favour of Saxony, of ſome Diſtricts that lie convenient for him; ſuch as Leumaritz, &c. Whatever the Auſtrian Party may pleaſe to ſay, the Generality here ſeem to be pretty well perſuaded that it will be no eaſy Matter to engage the Empreſs of Ruſſia, and other Powers talk'd of, to accede to the Treaty of Warſaw. This Opinion is grounded on the Court of Saxony's having lately diſcover'd a firm Reſolution to take no Step that may tend to an open Rupture with the Courts of Verſailles, Berlin and Munich; a Reſolution very oppoſite to the aforeſaid Treaty, and ſcarce reconcileable with the Execution thereof. This Reſolution, we are aſſur'd, has been occaſion'd, on the one Hand, by that of the Courts of France and Pruſſia, to act with all their Power in favour of the Houſe of Bavaria, and, on the other hand, by the little Inclination moſt of the Courts of Germany have ſhewn to engage in a long and ruinous War, the Conſequences of which the Eccleſiaſtick Electors ſeem to dread more than any of the other German Princes. We perceive that there are frequent Conferences here between the Miniſters of France, Pruſſia, Bavaria, and ſome other German Courts, the Object of which does not ſeem to be offenſive Alliances, but rather the ſeeking of Ways and Means to reſtore Tranquility in the Empire, and attain a free Election of an Emperor. We know it from very good Hands, that moſt of the Electors are no way inclin'd to give their Votes for the Grand Duke of Tuſcany; and we are even aſſur'd, that if the Elector of Bavaria puts up for the Imperial Crown, he will have a good Share of the Votes, and that the Elector of Cologne himſelf will not refuſe him his. Count Seinzheim, the Bavarian Miniſter, will ſtay here 'till the End of this Month, and then repair to Mentz and other German Courts, in order to reſume there the Negotiations he has ſet on Foot here with ſeveral Miniſters, relating to the Election and other Intereſts of his Maſter.

Great Notice has been taken here, that there were above fifty of the principal Members of the Republick at the Entertainment which the French Miniſter gave the 1ſt Inſtant on Occaſion of the Dauphin's Marriage, and among them we reckon eighteen Deputies in the Aſſembly of the States-General; which has put the A——n and S——n Miniſters not a little out of Countenance; becauſe they had confidently given out, that there would not be ſo much as one ſingle Member of the Government preſent at this Entertainment.

A Piece has lately appear'd here, intitled, *A Letter from a French Lieutenant-Colonel to one of his Friends, relating to the Demolition of the Fortreſs of Dunant*; which gives a very circumſtantial Account of the Manner wherein it was perform'd, in Contradiction to what was formerly ſaid of that Fortreſs: Upon the Whole we find, that the Place was reduced in the Space of ſix Hours, to a Heap of Rubbiſh; and that it will take up four Years, and require eight Millions of Livres, to reſtore it to the Condition it was in eight Months ago.

Extract of a Letter from the Hague, March 9.

The News of a Sea Fight near the Streights between the French Squadron and part of Admiral Rowley's Fleet, is grounded only on the Paris Manuſcript, and ſome private Letters from that City, which mention the Thing as Coffee-Houſe Talk, or Conjectures occaſion'd by the Arrival of a Courier to the Prince of Campo-Florido from Spain. It is certain, that the Marqueſs de St. Giles, and the Abbe de la Ville, have not the leaſt Account of this Affair, nor has any other Foreign Miniſter receiv'd Advice thereof; and the laſt Letters from Paris ſay not a Word of it, nor was there any Account come to the Count de Maurepas's Office when the Poſt ſet out.

From the London Gazette.

Hambourg, March 5. The Princeſs Royal of Sweden has miſcarried, in the 5th Month, of her Pregnancy, of a Male Child, and was at firſt thought to be in Danger of her Life. But by our laſt Advices from Stockholm, of the 23d of laſt Month, her Royal Highneſs had then paſs'd two tolerable Days.

Vienna, Feb. 21. We have ſeveral Accounts from Sileſia of an Epidemical Sickneſs which rages in the Pruſſian Army. They have ſhut up Neiſs themſelves to prevent the Communication, and great Numbers are ſick at Munſterberg. The Saxons have form'd a Line, to prevent, if poſſible, the ſpreading of the Infection, and it is thought that our Troops muſt quickly do the like.

Hague, March 5. The German Poſt of Yeſterday brought Letters from General Sommerfeldt of the 28th paſt, N. S. with Advice that he was then advanced as far as Lahnberg, and had made himſelf Maſter of ſeveral Magazines, which the French, in the Hurry of their Retreat, had not had Time to deſtroy. Letters from Paris, arriv'd this Day, ſay, that the Prince of Conti was to arrive on the Rhine as Yeſterday, in order to command the French Army there; and Marſhal Maillebois was to go and take upon him the Command of that in Italy.

PLANTATION NEWS.

From the Carolina Gazette, dated Dec. 24, 1744.

Since my laſt came in his Majeſty's Ship the Roſe, commanded by the brave and active Tho. Frankland, Eſq; from a Cruize, and brought in with him one of the richeſt Prizes taken ſince the Commencement of the preſent War, viz. a French Ship of 400 Tons, 20 Guns, and 360 Men, (including Paſſengers) call'd the Conception, bound from Carthagena to the Havanna, M. de Marcau and Sig. Don Pietro de Leſſagnate, Commanders, having on Board 800 Serons of Cacoa, in each of which, 'tis ſaid, is repoſited, as cuſtomary, a Bar of Gold; 68 Cheſts of Silver Coin (already found) containing 70,000 Pieces of Eight; private Adventures, in Gold and Silver Coin and wrought Plate, of equivalent Value; beſides which have been already found a compleat Set of Church Plate, a large Quantity of Gold Buckles and Snuff-Boxes, a curious two Wheel Chaiſe of Silver, the Wheels, Axle, &c. all of the ſame Metal, a large Quantity of Diamonds, Pearls, and other precious Stones, upwards of 600 Pounds Weight of Gold, &c. And freſh Diſcoveries being daily made of more and more Treaſure, 'tis impoſſible as yet to give an exact Account of what is on board this Prize, ſome Gold having been ſecreted in ſeveral Parts of the Ship; and the very Heels of the Priſoners Shoes having been made hollow were alſo full of Gold.

The Silver Chaiſe the Officers and Crew of the Roſe have unanimouſly reſolv'd to preſent to Capt. Frankland's Lady, in Teſtimony of Gratitude to that brave Commander.

Capt. Frankland eſpied this Ship the 1ſt Inſtant off the Weſt End of Cuba, at half an Hour paſt Five in the Morning, being then about three Miles to the Weſtward of him, and immediately gave Chace; which the other perceiving, clew'd her Canvas, and (in ſhort) made all clear to fight. At Seven, being within half Gunſhot, Capt. Frankland fir'd at him under his proper Colours; whereupon ſhe diſplay'd French Colours, and immediately return'd the Compliment with a Bullet, which paſs'd directly over the Quarter-Deck: On this the Roſe fir'd her Lee Broadſide into her, which ſhe return'd; and then began as deſperate an Engagement as, perhaps, ever was fought between two 20 Gun Ships, in which the Roſe five ſeveral Times came up to the Conception; and never, excepting the firſt Broadſide, diſcharg'd her Cannon farther off than Piſtol Shot; and twice ſo cloſe, that their Guns touch'd, as did alſo their Bows and Quarters, at which Time ſhe gave and receiv'd the ſmarteſt Fire that can be imagin'd from Cannon: The Small Arms then, and during the whole Action, accompanying with uninterrupted Volleys fore and aft and from the Tops, whence their Swivels and Hand-Grenadoes were alſo ply'd with good Succeſs.

This Engagement continued eleven Glaſſes; in which the Roſe fir'd eleven Broadſides with Double Round and Partridge, and about 900 Small Arms, which conſtantly employ'd near 50 Men, ſome of whom fir'd 27 and 28 Times each, and moſt above 20.

It is often ſaid, amongſt the Engliſh, that the French and Spaniards will never endure a cloſe and obſtinate Fire. But M. de Marcau approv'd himſelf of a quite different Diſpoſition, and was not induced to ſurrender 'till Half of his Men were kill'd and wounded, and 'till he once more ſaw the Roſe cloſe upon him ready for another mortal Salute; at which he ſtruck his Colours, and call'd for Quarter. Which was immediately granted. Then the Boats were ſent on board for the Priſoners, and having brought off 145, the Care of the Prize, with 65 more wounded and other Priſoners, was committed to brave Lieutenant Payne, a Mate, and 27 Men.

The Conception in this Action had 110 Men kill'd, and 65 wounded, of which ſeven or eight died afterwards. The Roſe had but five kill'd, and but ſeven wounded: Among the latter is Mr. John Mitchell, Maſter, Lieutenant Hector Vaughan, who had under his Command the Marines lately belonging to his Majeſty's Ship the Looe. And every Man on board the Roſe behav'd with undaunted Bravery, worthy the great Example ſet before them by their wiſe and valiant Commander: The Conception loſt her Main-maſt, and had her Rigging, &c. very much ſhatter'd: Two of her 6s Pound Balls went through the Enſign, three or four more through the Sides, and the reſt cut the Rigging in about twenty Places.

The French ſay, this Veſſel was built at St. Maloes, on Purpoſe for the Trade between Carthagena and the Havanna; and in her Paſſage to America had beat off three Engliſh Privateers that had engaged her at the ſame Time.

Capt. Frankland put 164 of his Priſoners on Shore at Kay Sal, about 15 Leagues from the Matanza's, and gave them two Boats and a Month's Proviſion.

Among the Priſoners he has brought in with him is a Nephew of the Vice-Roy of Mexico, and his (the Vice-Roy's) Secretary, and ſome other Spaniſh Officers of Diſtinction. The Captain of a Spaniſh Man of War, and his Catholick Majeſty's Chief Pilot, were kill'd in the Fight.

IRELAND.

Dublin, Feb. 23. The Rev. Mr. Fletcher, (Brother to the Biſhop of Dromore) is preſented by his Lordſhip to the Living of Dromore, vacant by the Death of the Rev. Mr. Vaughan.

The Rev. Mr. Cavendiſh is alſo preſented to the Living of Navan.

Laſt Thurſday —— Greene, Eſq; Counſellor at Law, was married to Miſs Arabella Delany, Niece to the Rev. Dr. Delany, Dean of Downe, a moſt agreeable Lady with a conſiderable Fortune.

On Tueſday laſt died, in an advanc'd Age, the Rev. Mr. William Barry, Curate of St. Bridget's Church, which Place he had enjoy'd above 40 Years.

The ſame Day died, of a Dropſy, the Rev. Mr. John Maxwell, Curate of St. Catherine's, a Gentleman much eſteem'd by all the Pariſhioners.

COUNTRY NEWS.

Briſtol, March 2. Two of the People belonging to the Dreadnought, Capt. Reed, (one of the Letter of Marque Ships taken by the Grand Biche, and carry'd to Morlaix) are arriv'd here; and relate, that Capt. Reed behav'd in the moſt gallant Manner in the Action, and that the Sailors as bravely follow'd his Example; that after Capt. Reed had receiv'd a Muſket Ball that went thro' the upper Part of his Head, he cry'd out, *Fight the Ship, and fling me aſide!* and died ſoon after. That being afterwards boarded, and tho' they had cleared the Deck pretty well of the French ('tis ſaid unto ſix or ſeven) yet the Perſon who took upon him the Command of the Ship would ſtrike the Colours; which ſo provok'd the Second Mate, (who was formerly the Captain's Firſt, and much eſteem'd by him) that he eagerly cry'd out,

Give me the Command of the Ship, and I will fight her! but notwithſtanding the Colours were ſtruck, to his great Regret. ——— Capt. Reed was in the higheſt Eſteem among our Merchants, and had ſome time ago a Piece of Plate preſented him for the Services done to his Country.

LONDON.

We hear Marſhal Belleiſle will be remov'd from Windſor Caſtle to Nottingham, where he is to be a Priſoner at large, with the Liberty of riding out ten Miles round the Town, upon his Parole of Honour.

The Fox and Wager Men of War, both of Twenty Guns, are order'd to be in readineſs to convoy his Royal Highneſs the Duke of Cumberland to Oſtend.

The King has been pleaſed to appoint General Sinclair to be Quarter-Maſter General to his Majeſty's Forces in Flanders, in the room of General Bland.

The Command of his Majeſty's Ship the New Yarmouth is given to Capt. Roger Martin; on board of which Ship Rear-Admiral Martin will, in a few Days, hoiſt his Flag.

The Lords of the Admiralty have order'd two Ships of Forty Guns and two of Twenty to ſail from the Nore forthwith, to cruize off the Northern and Eaſtern Coaſts for the Protection of the Trade.

The Lords of the Admiralty have appointed Mr. Juſtinian Nutt, one of Admiral Anſon's Lieutenants, an experienc'd Officer, to be Commander of his Majeſty's Sloop the Taviſtock.

The Lords of the Admiralty have appointed Mr. Ambroſe Winch to be Paymaſter of Chatham-Yard, in the room of Mr. Altham, deceas'd.

We hear that the Publick has been miſinform'd as to the Choice of a Chief Keeper of the Cottonian Library, it not being doubted but Mr. Caſley, the preſent worthy Deputy, will ſucceed by the Countenance of the Electors.

Laſt Sunday Mr. Bold, an Attorney at Hackney, was married there to Miſs Sally Mawſon, only Daughter of the late Roger Mawſon, Eſq; formerly Procurator to the Dioceſe of York; an agreeable young Lady with a Fortune of 10,000 l.

A few Days ſince died at Edinburgh, the Dowager Lady Maxwell, of Monteith.

A few Days ſince died, at his Seat at Seven-Oaks in Kent, Charles Selby Amherſt, of Bay-Hall, Eſq; one of the Benchers of the Inner-Temple, and a Gentleman deſervedly belov'd and eſteem'd.

Laſt Week died, at Newcaſtle in Staffordſhire, the Lady Charlotta Warburton, Relict of Sir James Warburton, of Eccleſhall in the ſame County, Bart. by whoſe Death a Jointure of 1000 l. per Annum devolves to Michael Curzon, Eſq; a Student at Cambridge.

Tueſday died, after a long Illneſs, at his Houſe in the Poultry, aged 60 Years, Mr. Chriſtopher Marſhal, an eminent Apothecary.

Sunday Morning was found dead in his Bed, at his Houſe in New Palace-Yard, Weſtminſter, Mr. John Woodford, one of the Uſhers belonging to the Court of Exchequer; ſuppos'd to have died of an Apoplectick Fit.

They write from Cambridge, that laſt Week the Rev. Mr. Caſtle, Rector of Barley in the County of Hertford, was choſen Maſter of Benner-College in that Univerſity, in the room of the Right Rev. Dr. Mawſon, Lord Biſhop of Chicheſter, who has reſign'd.

The Right Hon. the Lord Chancellor has preſented the Rev. Mr. Liſter Symondſon to the Vicarage of Pannall, in the County and Dioceſe of York.

His Lordſhip has likewiſe been pleaſed to preſent the Rev. Mr. Richard Motley, to the Vicarage of St. Trinity in Micklegate, in the County and Dioceſe aforeſaid

A Diſpenſation is paſs'd the Seals to enable the Rev. Mr. Philip Walton to hold the Vicarage of Rorking in the County of Surrey and Dioceſe of Wincheſter, together with the Rectory of Mickleham in the ſame County and Dioceſe.

As likewiſe another to the Rev. Mr. James Upton to hold the Rectory of Limpaton in the County of Somerſet and Dioceſe of Bath and Wells, together with the Rectory of Monkſilver in the County and Dioceſe aforeſaid.

Tueſday the Right Rev. the Lord Biſhop of Ely, preſented his Son the Rev. Mr. Eyton Butts, Maſter of Arts, to the Rectory of Snailwell, in the County of Cambridge and Dioceſe of Norwich, void by the Death of Dr. Towers.

Laſt Monday the Lady Page, Wife of Sir Gregory Page, Bart. was robb'd in her Coach upon Blackheath, by a ſingle Highwayman, who took from her Ladyſhip 30 Guineas.

Laſt Week as an Apprentice to Mr. Read, a Baker, the Corner of Fetter-Lane in Fleet-Street, was ſtanding near a large Copper of boiling Water in the Bakehouſe, the Servant Maid came in to get a Pail full of it, which he refus'd, and jumping upon the Lid of the Copper, in order to ſecure it, he fell in, and was ſo terribly ſcalded, that he died the next Morning.

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Laſt Week Mr. James Dixon, Maſter of the Northumberland Man of War, was brought to Town from Portſmouth by a Meſſenger of the Admiralty, and, by a Warrant from the Right Honourable the Commiſſioners of that Board, directed to the Keeper of the Marſhalſea, was committed Priſoner during the Term of his Natural Life. He was try'd by a Court Martial at Portſmouth, and found guilty of taking the Command of the Northumberland from the Firſt Lieutenant (the Captain being then ſick in his Cabin) and ſtriking to the French, contrary to the Advice of the other Officers.

They write from Paris, that the Diamonds of the Lords and Ladies of the Court of Verſailles, at the grand Ball on the 25th of laſt Month, were valued at 250 Millions, which is near 12 Millions Sterling; thoſe of the Dauphin and Dauphineſs alone were actually worth 45 Millions of Livres, and thoſe of the King and Queen 70 Millions.

His Majeſty's Ship the Launceſton, Commodore Peter Warren, is arriv'd at St. Kitt's from New-York, who had retaken a Bilander Privateer of Barbadoes, and had taken two French Privateers belonging to Martinico, and brought them in with him.

The Cæſar and the Neptune, of 20 Guns and 150 Men each, both bound from Nantes to Martinico and San Domingo, are taken by the Great Britain Privateer, after a ſmart Engagement. There were three in Company; but the third got away by favour of the Night.

The Amiable Suſanna, Laleſſe, from Newfoundland, is taken by the Kouli Kan Privateer.

The Chaſſeur, Vicare, from Port Louis for Africa, with Powder and Ball, is taken by the Southwell Privateer. And

A rich Ship from Rochel for Hiſpaniola, is taken by the Alderney Man of War. All the above Ships are carried into Liſbon.

The William of St. Malo, Capt. Marquiſan, from Bordeaux for Martinico, is taken by an Engliſh Ship and carried into Barbados.

A Veſſel bound from the Havannah to St. Auguſtine, is taken and carried into Carolina.

By Letters from South Carolina, of the 7th of January, we have Advice, that a Veſſel was juſt arrived there from New-York, by whom they had an Account, that the Recovery Privateer, Capt. Anderſon, was put in there with ſeveral rich Prizes. ——— The Recovery ſail'd from Plymouth the Beginning of October, ſince which there has been no News of her 'till now.

Laſt Saturday came Advice, that the Salamander Privateer, Capt. Harwood, who had formerly ſurpriſing Succeſs in her cruiſing againſt the French, was taken by a French Man of War of 60 Guns, and the Captain and about 119 of her Men were carried into Breſt. Capt. Harwood writes, that he heard three Days after that the ſaid Salamander was afterwards retaken by an Engliſh Man of War.

Laſt Saturday Morning the Speedwell of Dartmouth, arriv'd at Weymouth, from Viana for London: She was taken the Sunday before by a French Privateer, and retaken laſt Tueſday by the Haſtings Man of War from Virginia.

The John, Inchies, from London to Boſton, is taken by the French and carried into Martinico.

The Batchelor's Concluſion, Moore, from Lyme to London, is taken and carried into Calais.

The Antelope, Snow, from Santa Cruz for London, is taken by the Lys Privateer, eight Leagues from the Lizard, and carried into St. Malo.

The Charming Sukey, Hoſſock, from London for Jamaica, is taken and carried into St. Sebaſtians.

They write from Dublin, that the Woodſtock, Capt. Exter, from New York, was arriv'd there in thirty-five Days, and brings Advice, that they had an Account from Jamaica of a violent Hurricane in September, in which 100 Sail of Ships were drove on ſhore, and other Damage done.

Extract of a Letter from Dartmouth, dated March 1.

'On the 26th of laſt Month Admiral Medley, with 'the Men of War, Eaſt India Ships, and other Mer'chantmen anchor'd in Torbay, and the next Morn'ing the Admiral made a Signal for the Fleet to get 'under Sail, the Wind being then South-Eaſt, and a 'great ſwelling Sea. Some were oblig'd to cut, others 'ſlipp'd or parted their Cables, which put them in 'great Confuſion. The Royal George, Capt. Field, for 'India, ran foul of the Cape Coaſt, Capt. Burriſh, for 'Africa; the latter ſunk, and is quite loſt, but all the 'Crew were ſav'd: The former loſt her Head, and Cut-'Water, and is gone to Portſmouth to refit. The Ex-'pedition, Wilſon, of and from London for Liſbon, is 'aſhore near Berryhead, and bulg'd; Part of her Cargo 'is ſav'd, and all the Crew. The Tyger, White, of 'and from London for Newfoundland, is loſt on the 'Berryhead, and 170 Soldiers, ſix Sailors, and ſix Wo-'men drown'd. Capt. White broke his Legs in ſaving 'himſelf on the Rocks. The Maidſtone Man of War 'ran foul of the Mary, Edmonds, of Pool for Oporto, 'as ſhe lay at Anchor, and carry'd away her Bowſprit, 'Main and Mizen Maſts, and did her much Damage 'beſides: She is coming here to refit. A Man of War 'ran foul of the King of Portugal, Hughs, for Liſbon, 'and broke in her Bow, and muſt come in to refit. 'The Ulyſſes, Haydon, of and from Lopdon, was on 'board the Barracuta, and broke her Bowſprit, and 'receiv'd other Damage: The Barracuta is gone to Sea 'with the Fleet. The Katharine, Clark, from London 'for Africa remains in Torbay, having receiv'd ſome 'Damage at Sea before putting in.'

Letter from Briſtol, March 2.

'This Day arriv'd here the Sheerneſs Privateer, 'Capt. John Furnell (formerly a twenty Gun Man of 'War) from a Cruize, and has brought in a French 'Eaſt-Indiaman, homeward bound from Mocha, about '200 Tons Burthen, loaded with Coffee. She is called 'the Frigate d'Affaires, and was taken off the Weſtern 'Iſland, after an Engagement of five Glaſſes; in which 'the French behav'd very gallantly, and loſt many 'Men; and after they ſtruck they would have ranſom'd 'the Ship, but Capt. Furnell abſolutely rejected the 'Offer. He has alſo brought in a Dogger Privateer of '14 Guns, and 122 ſtout Men, belonging to Bayonne, 'which he took eleven Days after ſhe came out, and 'threw all her Guns overboard except two. Seven 'other Privateers from Bayonne came out in Company 'with this.

'Capt. Furnell engag'd a large Privateer the 23d of 'laſt Month, in which he loſt four Men, and ſince 'that has exchang'd Shots with five or ſix more; but 'having no more than ſeven able Sailors on board, and 'a ſickly Ship, he could make no Hand of them; other-'wiſe he might have taken another Privateer, and an 'Engliſh Weſt-India Ship that had been taken before. 'He oblig'd another Privateer to throw all her Guns 'overboard, not having Men enough to man her.

From the London Gazette.

Harwich, Feb. 26. His Majeſty's Ship the Falcon brought in here, the 24th Inſtant, a ſmall French Privateer, with four Swivel Guns, and a Quantity of Small Arms, and 30 Men, who are all ſecur'd in the Priſon there.

Admiralty Office, March 2. Letters receiv'd from Capt. Ambroſe, Commander of his Majeſty's Ship the Rupert, dated at Liſbon the 24th of January, give an Account, that the ſaid Ship, in Company with the Guernſey, commanded by Capt. Corniſh, being on their Way from Gibraltar to Liſbon, had taken a Regiſter Ship, on the 19th of that Month, call'd the Maria Fortune, of 350 Tons, 16 Guns, and 64 Men and Paſſengers, among whom was the Governor of Paraguay. She was bound from Cadiz to Buenos Ayres, and ſail'd from the former Place on the 17th of January, with two Aviſos, and two other Ships bound for the Weſt Indies, under the Convoy of ſix French Men of War, commanded by M. de Caylus. She was not far from her Convoy when taken, but was not in their Sight, it being hazy Weather. Her Cargo coſt above 100,000 l. at Cadiz, and Inſurances are made on her to the Amount of 550,000 Dollars.

His Majeſty's Ship the Alderney, commanded by Capt. Toms, ſtation'd on the Coaſt of Portugal, took a French Merchant Ship on the 22d of January, call'd the Badine, of 150 Tons, ſix Guns, and 31 Men, laden with Proviſions, and bound from Rochelle to St. Domingo.

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